

1 **UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT**
2 **DISTRICT OF NEVADA**

3 SANDOR ANIVAL CORDOVA
CARBALLO, *et al.*,

4 Petitioners,

5 v.

6 WILLIAM BARR, *et al.*,

7 Respondents.
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Case No.: 2:20-cv-01315-APG-BNW

ORDER

9 This action is a petition for a writ of habeas corpus, under 28 U.S.C. § 2241, by Sandor
10 Anival Cordova Carballo and 23 other individuals held in civil immigration detention at the
11 Nevada Southern Detention Center (NSDC) in Pahrump, Nevada. *See* Petition for Writ of
12 Habeas Corpus (ECF No. 1). At least 23 of the petitioners allege that they have either tested
13 positive for COVID-19 or are exhibiting symptoms of that virus. They allege the respondents
14 have not taken adequate measures to prevent the spread of COVID-19 at NSDC. They allege
15 they have received inadequate medical treatment. And they allege that their health and their
16 lives are at risk as a result. *See id.*

17 At this stage I make no judgment regarding the procedural viability and merits of the
18 petition. But I find that it warrants service on the respondents and an expedited response. I will
19 order the respondents to file an answer to the petition, showing cause why the petition should not
20 be granted. *See* 28 U.S.C. § 2243.

21 I THEREFORE ORDER the Clerk of the Court to serve copies of the habeas petition
22 (ECF No. 1) and this order upon the respondents as follows:
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1 (1) by having the United States Marshal, no later than the end of the day on July 20,
2 2020, serve a copy of the petition and this order on the United States Attorney for the District of
3 Nevada, or on an Assistant United States Attorney or clerical employee designated by the United
4 States Attorney for service under Rule 4(i)(1)(A) of the Federal Rules of Civil Procedure; and

5 (2) by sending a copy of the first amended petition and this order, by registered or
6 certified mail, to: the Attorney General of the United States, Department of Justice, 950
7 Pennsylvania Ave. NW, Washington, DC 20530; the Secretary of the United States Department
8 of Homeland Security, 245 Murray Lane SW, Washington, DC 20528; and the Field Office
9 Director, U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement, 2975 Decker Lake Drive, Suite 100, West
10 Valley City, UT 84119.

11 I FURTHER ORDER counsel for the respondents to file a notice of appearance by July
12 24, 2020.

13 I FURTHER ORDER the respondents to file an answer to the habeas petition by July 31,
14 2020. The petitioners will then have three days to file a reply.

15 Dated: July 17, 2020.

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19 ANDREW P. GORDON
20 UNITED STATES DISTRICT JUDGE
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